

January 10, 2002

To: Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman  
Supervisor Gloria Molina  
Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke  
Supervisor Don Knabe  
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From: David E. Janssen  
Chief Administrative Officer

**MOTION TO SUPPORT FAIRNESS TO ALL VIETNAM VETERANS ACT (ITEM NO. 5, AGENDA OF JANUARY 15, 2002)**

Item No. 5 on the January 15, 2002 Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Knabe that the Board of Supervisors support the "Fairness to All Vietnam Veterans Act", HR 3443 (Horn, R-CA), and that the Board's support for the legislation be communicated to the President, California's Senators, and the County's Congressional delegation.

H.R. 3443 would require the Secretary of Defense to report to Congress regarding the requirements applicable to the inscription of veterans' names on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial wall. The report will include: reasons that certain veterans' names are not eligible for inscription on the wall; alternative eligibility requirements and means of recognition; and recommendations. The bill was introduced on December 11, 2001 and was referred to the House Committee on Armed Services, which has not yet scheduled any action on the bill.

This bill would have no fiscal or operational impact on the County. There are no Board policies relating to the bill, and a position on the bill is a matter for Board policy determination.

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